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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference JP A 10-118338 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 4. An English-language Abstract of the non-English language reference JP A 10-118338 is attached hereto.

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